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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2012-0121]

Portable Gauge Licenses

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Draft NUREG; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) is revising its licensing guidance for portable gauge licensees. The NRC is requesting public comment on NUREG-1556, Volume 1, Revision 2, "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Portable Gauge Licenses." The document has been updated to include safety culture, security of radioactive materials, protection of sensitive information, a revised appendix on training for portable gauge users, and changes in regulatory policies and practices. This document is intended for use by applicants, licensees, and the NRC staff and will also be available to Agreement States.

DATES: Submit comments by **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]**. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to assure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: You may access information and comment submissions related to this document, which the NRC possesses and are publicly available, by searching on <http://www.regulations.gov> under Docket ID **NRC-2012-0121**. You may submit comments by the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking Web site:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID **NRC-2012-0121**. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-492-3668; e-mail: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov.

- **Mail comments to:** Cindy Bladey, Chief, Rules, Announcements, and Directives Branch (RADB), Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWB-05-B01M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

- **Fax comments to:** RADB at 301-492-3446.

For additional direction on accessing information and submitting comments, see “Accessing Information and Submitting Comments” in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tomas Herrera, Division of Materials Safety and State Agreements, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs; U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-7138; e-mail: Tomas.Herrera@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Accessing Information and Submitting Comments

A. Accessing Information

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- **NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):**
You may access publicly available documents online in the NRC Library at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "*ADAMS Public Documents*" and then select "*Begin Web-based ADAMS Search*." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The NUREG-1556, Volume 1, Revision 2, is under ADAMS Accession Number ML12139A008. The document will also be posted on the NRC's public Web site on the: (1) "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses (NUREG-1556)" page at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1556/>; and (2) "Draft NUREG-Series Publications for Comment" page at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/docs4comment.html>.

- **NRC's PDR:** You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID **NRC-2012-0121** in the subject line of your comment submission, in order to ensure that the NRC is able to make your comment submission available to the public in this docket.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC will post all comment submissions at <http://www.regulations.gov> as well as enter the comment submissions into ADAMS, and the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

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II. Specific Questions for Public Comment

The NRC welcomes comments on all aspects of this draft NUREG and is especially interested in receiving comments on the examples and pictures used in Appendix G, "Operation, Emergency, and Security Procedures," to demonstrate the security requirements in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 30.34(i). The NRC would like comments on the following questions regarding the examples and pictures in Appendix G:

1. Do the examples for two independent physical controls provide helpful guidance to licensees? Please provide information to support your response.

2. Are the pictures in the appendix helpful in demonstrating how to secure a portable gauge in a vehicle? Please provide information to support your response.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 22nd day of May 2012.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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